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TI 5-Hydroxytryptamine and other indole derivatives

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AB A new synthesis of 5-hydroxytryptamine (I) and similar compds. was described as well as the isolation of intermediates. A mixture of 100 g. p-benzyloxyaniline, 120 ml. H₂O, and 76 ml. concentrated HCl was diazotized at 0° by a solution of 32.5 g. NaNO₂ in 100 ml. H₂O. Then 120 g. AcONa was added and the cold (0°), stirred solution was added dropwise to 66.5 g. α-carbethoxycyclopentanone. After 3 hrs. of stirring at 20° the mixture was filtered, the precipitate washed with H₂O, mixed with 1200 ml. 5% NaOH solution and kept 3 hrs. on a steam bath. The pH of the hot solution was adjusted to 7.5 (HCl), activated C was added, and the solution filtered. The cold filtrate was acidified (HCl), 128 g. crystalline p-benzyloxyphenylhydrazone of α-oxoadipic acid (II) was filtered out and recrystd., m. 148-9° (50% EtOH). A mixture of 125 g. II with 1250 ml. anhydrous dioxane containing 5% dry HCl was refluxed 20 min., cooled, the precipitated NH₄Cl was filtered out and washed with dioxane, the filtrate mixed with enough 10% solution of Na₂CO₃ to bring the pH to 8. Dioxane was removed at 20 mm., the 300-400 ml. residue was neutralized to pH 7.2, filtered with active C and acidified with HCl to Congo red. 5-Benzyl-2-carboxy-3-indolepropionic acid (III) (103 g.) was isolated by filtering, washing (neutral litmus) and drying on a steam bath; recrystd. from 50% EtOH, III m. 188-90°. Further recrys. gave m.p. 191-2°. A mixture of 80 g. III and 800 ml. paraffin oil was heated 90 min. to 210°, cooled to 60°, extracted with 300 ml. 10% Na₂CO₃ solution, neutralized to pH 7.2 and filtered with active C. The filtrate was acidified (dilute HCl) and 5-benzyloxy-3-indolepropionic acid (IV) precipitated (62 g., m. 150-1°). Recrystn. (50% EtOH) gave 48 g. of IV. Further recrystn. gave m.p. 163-5°. For the Me ester of IV (V), a solution of 42 g. IV in 420 ml. abs MeOH containing 3% of dry HCl was refluxed 2 hrs., then cooled and poured into a solution of 43 g. NaHCO₃ in 900 ml. H₂O. Crystalline V was filtered out, washed (H₂O) and dried (43.3 g., m. 98-9°). Recrystd. from MeOH m. 100-1°. A hydrazide of IV (VI) was obtained when a solution of 43 g. V and 63 ml. hydrazine in 1160 ml. EtOH was refluxed 1 hr., most of the solvent was removed at reduced pressure and H₂O was added to precipitate 40.8 g. crystalline VI. This recrystd. (70% EtOH and then H₂O) m. 137-8°. The azide of IV (VII) was obtained when a solution of 40 g. VI in 120 ml. HOAc was stirred, mixed with 510 ml. H₂O and 300 ml. C₆H₆ then cooled to 0°. A 10% solution of NaNO₂ in 100 ml. H₂O was added within 5 min. The H₂O layer was twice extracted with 330-ml. portions C₆H₆. The combined C₆H₆ solns. (at 0°) were washed with a dilute NaHCO₃ solution, then with cold H₂O to neutral reaction and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. A small part of the C₆H₆ solution was freed of the solvent to give crystalline, crude VII (decompose at 45°). Me β-[3-(5-Benzyl-2-carboxy-3-indolepropionic acid)ethyl carbamate (VIII) was obtained when the remainder of the C₆H₆ solution of VII was added dropwise to 3300 ml. boiling anhydrous MeOH, the C₆H₆-MeOH azeotrope was distilled, the MeOH solution was refluxed 1 hr. and the MeOH removed under reduced pressure. The residue diluted with C₆H₆ was passed through a column with 70 g. Al₂O₃ and eluted with C₆H₆. The volume was reduced in vacuo to 150 ml. and 15 ml. hexane was added; 27 g. crystalline VIII, m. 90-3°, was obtained. The mother liquor yielded further 4.5 g. of VIII. VIII recrystd. twice from C₆H₆ m. 94-5°. Hydrogenation of VIII in MeOH, at 5 atmospheric and 25° by H in the presence of palladized C gave Me β-[3-(5-hydroxyindolyl)ethylcarbamate (IX). The MeOH solution of IX was refluxed 30 min. with 150 ml. 1:1 HCl to hydrolyze the ester. The resulting green solution was mixed with 9 g. NaOAc, neutralized to Congo red with NaHCO₃, and filtered. The filtrate was mixed with 20.8 g. picric acid, the MeOH was removed in vacuo, the residue diluted to 400 ml. with H₂O and filtered at 50-65° with activated C. From the cold filtrate crystallized a picrate of I; recrystd. from H₂O m. 196-7°. II (128 g.), esterified by an excess of diazomethane gave 135 g. of di-Me ester of II (X), m. 114-15°. A mixture of 134 g. X with a 10% solution of dry HCl in 1660 ml. absolute MeOH was refluxed for 20

min., cooled, poured into a cold solution of 400 g. NaHCO₃ in 6000 ml. H₂O, the solid was filtered out and crystallized from EtOH; 96.5 g., crystalline 5-benzyloxy-2-methylcarboxy-3-indolepropionic acid Me ester (XI), m. 120-1°, was obtained. Further 16.5 g. of XI was recovered from the filtrate. XI twice recrystd. from EtOH m. 122-3°. A solution of 112 g. XI in 2250 ml. EtOH was mixed at 40° with 98.5° NaOH and 164 ml. H₂O, kept at 25° for 12 hrs., cooled to 0°, filtered and the precipitate was dissolved in a small amount of H₂O, decolorized by active C and precipitated by dilute HCl; 95 g. of III was obtained. Another method of transforming VIII into I was developed. IX (37 g.) in 520 ml. EtOH was kept overnight at 40-50° with 220 ml. 6N HCl; then 97.5 g. NaHCO₃ was added, the solid NaCl was filtered off and the filtrate mixed with 18.5 g. sodium salicylate was freed of most of the solvent in vacuo. The remaining 250 ml. was cooled and 18.5 g., crystalline salicylate of 5-benzyloxytryptamine, m. 167-9°, was separated. A sample of the salicylate (XII) recrystd. formed white crystals, m. 174-5° (H₂O). XII was in the same way as VIII to give the salicylate of I which after treatment with picric acid gave a picrate of I (XIII). I was isolated via its oxalate (XIV). A stirred mixture of 5 g. XIII and 25 ml. N HCl was extracted with Et₂O to remove all picric acid. The ethereal solution was extracted with 10 ml. N HCl and the aqueous layers were combined, neutralized (Congo red) to pH 7.8-7.9 with NaHCO₃ and extracted several times by BuOH. The combined exts. were washed with a NaCl solution (pH 7.9 adjusted by addition of K₂CO₃), dried (Na₂SO₄) and mixed with 3 g. oxalic acid in 25 ml. EtOH. The solvents were removed in vacuo; the residue dissolved in absolute EtOH, the warm solution was filtered with active C, cooled, mixed with anhydrous Et₂O and the crystalline XIV was separated. Recrystn. from EtOH-Et₂O gave crystals, m. 195-7°. The ratio of I to oxalic acid in XIV was 1:1. A compound containing oxalic acid-I = 2:1 was made by using a double amount of oxalic acid. This dioxalate of I m. 193-5°. Di-Et ester of III (XV) was obtained when a suspension of 125 g. II in 500 ml. anhydrous Et₂O was mixed with an excess of a solution of diazoethane in CH₂Cl₂; after 24 hrs. it was decomposed with dilute HCl and the CH₂Cl₂ removed. The crude XV was mixed with 3 l. C₆H₆; 1 l. was distilled to remove H₂O and dry HCl was bubbled 1 hr. through the residue. The cold mixture was treated with a 5% solution of NaHCO₃, the C₆H₆ layer was separated, concentrated to 300 ml., mixed with 2500 g. Al₂O₃, eluted with 1:1 hexane-C₆H₆ and crystallized from EtOH. This gave XV, m. 108-9°. XV was also prepared by the reaction of II with absolute EtOH and dry HCl. When absolute MeOH was used instead of EtOH, XI was obtained. Iso-Am ester of III was obtained analogously using iso-AmOH. Benzoate of 5-benzyloxytryptamine (XVI) was obtained when 20 g. VIII was hydrolyzed similarly as IX but instead of the picric acid, 9 g. BzONa was added, the solvent was removed and the yellow precipitate of XVI, m. 148-9°, was separated. Two recrystns. gave XVI, m. 153-4° (H₂O). XVI was to the benzoate of I (XVII) similarly as VIII; XVII was converted to XIII by treating it with picric acid. Alternate methods for preparation of I were developed. An ethereal solution of VII treated with EtOH gave Et-[β-[3-(5-benzyloxy)indolyl]ethylcarbamate (XVIII), m. 87-8°. XVIII was (in the same manner as VIII) to the 5-hydroxy derivative which was saponified and treated with picric acid to give XIII. A H₂O solution of 10 g. I.HCl neutralized to Congo red was mixed with 2.7 g. creatinine, 420 ml. EtOH and 23.5 ml. 2N H₂SO₄. The mixture was heated and then cooled; white, crystalline double sulfate of 5-hydroxytryptamine creatinine was isolated and recrystd., m. 213-14° (H₂O). Iso-Am ester of IV (XIX) was prepared esterifying 72 g. IV with 720 ml. iso-AmOH containing 3% HCl. The solution of XIX was refluxed 1 hr. with 100 ml. hydrazine, cooled, washed repeatedly with H₂O and very dilute HCl and then mixed with 180 ml. H₂O containing 18 g. NaNO₂. To the cold (0°) mixture was added slowly 22.2 ml. concentrated HCl with 50 ml. H₂O. After 5 min. the alc. layer was separated and the H₂O layer extracted with 300 ml. iso-AmOH. The combined alc. solns. were neutralized with cold, aqueous NaHCO₃, washed with cold H₂O and dried over anhydrous K₂CO₃. The solution was then refluxed with P₂O₅ for 1 hr. A sample was freed of the solvent, dissolved in C₆H₆, chromatographed over Al₂O₃ and separated as yellow, glossy β-[3-(5-benzyloxy)indolyl]ethylcarbamate isoamyl ester (XX). The solution of XX was hydrogenated (see VIII) to give the corresponding hydroxy compound (XXI) which was hydrolyzed and I was isolated as XIII. The following alternative reaction procedures were described. The decarboxylation (III to IV) was performed in boiling tetrahydronaphthalene or decahydronaphthalene. Et ester of IV was made analogously to V using anhydrous EtOH. PhCH₂ ester analog of XX, m. 72-3°, was made as

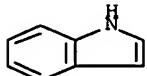
described for XX using PhCH₂OH instead of MeOH, the solution was hydrogenated (see VIII), and XIII was precipitated directly by addition of picric acid.

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IN 1H-Indole (9CI)

MF C₈ H₇ N

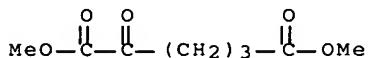
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IN Hexanedioic acid, 2-oxo-, dimethyl ester (9CI)

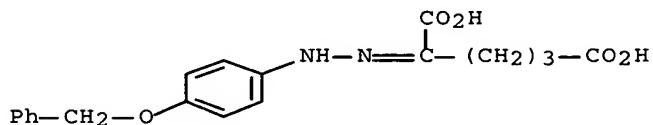
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IN Hexanedioic acid, 2-oxo-, [p-(benzyloxy)phenyl]hydrazone (6CI)

MF C₁₉ H₂₀ N₂ O₅

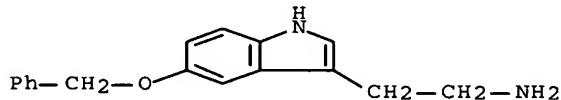


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IN 1H-Indole-3-ethanamine, 5-(phenylmethoxy)- (9CI)

MF C₁₇ H₁₈ N₂ O

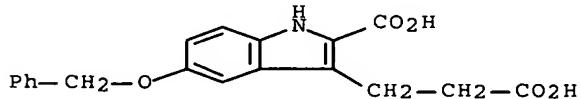
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IN 1H-Indole-3-propanoic acid, 2-carboxy-5-(phenylmethoxy)- (9CI)

MF C₁₉ H₁₇ N O₅

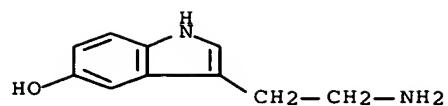


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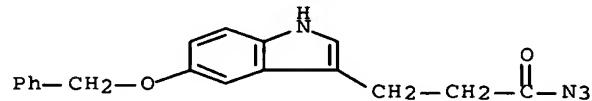
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MF C₁₀ H₁₂ N₂ O

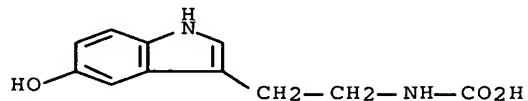
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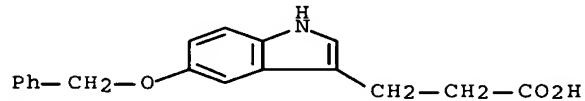
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IN Indole-3-propionyl azide, 5-(benzyloxy)- (6CI)
MF C₁₈ H₁₆ N₄ O₂



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IN Carbamic acid, [2-(5-hydroxy-1H-indol-3-yl)ethyl]- (9CI)
MF C₁₁ H₁₂ N₂ O₃
CI COM



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IN 1H-Indole-3-propanoic acid, 5-(phenylmethoxy)- (9CI)
MF C₁₈ H₁₇ N O₃



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